

**GOVERNMENT OF TELANGANA**  
**ABSTRACT**

Panchayat Raj & Rural Development Department - Elections – Ordinary and casual election to vacancies in Panchayat Raj Bodies – General orders authorizing the District Collectors to declare local holidays in the areas notified for election and other related issues whenever the Notification issued by the State Election Commission–Orders –Issued.

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**PANCHAYAT RAJ & RURAL DEVELOPMENT (PTS.III) DEPARTMENT**

**G.O.MS.No. 54**

**Dated:3.7.2015**

Read:-

From the Secretary, Telangana State Election Commission,  
Hyderabad Lr.No.333/TSEC-PR/2015, Dated: 16.06.2015.

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In the circumstances stated by the Secretary, State Election Commission in the reference read above and keeping in view of the circumstances explained therein and after careful examination of the matter, Government hereby authorise the Collector and District Election Authorities in the State (except Hyderabad) to take necessary action on the following items whenever the Notification is issued by the State Election Commission.

- i) to declare Public Holiday for the Government offices, Local bodies and Government institutions situated in the areas of poll on the day of poll and to permit the Central Government employees, who are bonafide voters and desire to exercise their franchise to avail the facility subject to normal exigency of service either by way of coming late to the office or by leaving the office early or a short absence on the polling day.
- ii) to declare local holiday in the areas notified for election on the day preceding the day of poll, on the day of poll and on the day of counting in respect of public buildings, educational institution buildings, other buildings, etc., to be used for election related activities.
- iii) to declare local holiday or time off to facilitate employees of public and private undertakings/firm in the areas notified for election to exercise their franchise.
- iv) Declaration of day of poll as a public holiday in the areas notified for elections under the Negotiable Instruments Act / Shops and Establishments Act.

2. The Collectors & District Election Authorities shall take necessary action accordingly

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF TELANGANA)

**J.RAYMOND PETER**  
**PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT**

To

All Collectors & District Election Authorities  
in Telangana State(except Hyderabad)

Copy to:

The Secretary, Telangana State Election Commission, Hyderabad.  
The Director, Panchayat Raj & Rural Employment, Hyderabad.  
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SECTION OFFICER